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DISTRICT SEVEN COMMUNITIES

Allied Gardens

Alvarado Estates

Chollas Creek

Colina del Sol

College Area

Del Cerro

El Cerrito

Fox Canyon

Grantville

Islenair

MCAS Miramar

Oak Park

Rancho Encantada

Redwood Village

Rolando Park

Rolando Village

San Carlos

SDSU

Tierrasanta

Public Safety 101

On Monday August 23, I was honored to deliver welcoming remarks to the 50th Annual International Fire Fighters Association Convention which was hosted by San Diego Fire Fighters Local 145. The delegation consisted of over 3,000 fire fighters from the United States and Canada. I had a chance to discuss the overwhelming budgetary challenges faced by cities across the continent in their efforts to deliver the highest level of public safety service with diminishing funding. I made the point that City Administrators, Legislative Councils, and Labor Associations need to work together to ensure that the highest priority of any government—public safety—is maintained during this historic financial crisis.

I also had time to review new technologies that are coming to the market that will allow fire fighters to do their job with the least physical burden and the greatest efficiency. Products like new carbon fiber air tanks that are much smaller, lighter, and hold more air, and material for firefighting apparel that is lighter and more flame resistant. Later, I was invited to participate in an actual fire fighting demonstration at the San Diego fire fighting training center that included flame suppression, search and rescue in smoke filled structures, and building heat evacuation. I observed the operations and demonstrations and can tell you that now more than ever I will stand firm in my position that we cannot allow our fire engine staffing and deployment to become a victim of political attacks and budgetary experiments.

As Chair of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee, I have docketed monthly reports from our Fire Chief since the fire engine brownouts started. While the budgetary savings have been realized, it came at a tragic cost for some and has become a serious concern for the rest of us. This month, I will continue my efforts to restore browned-out fire engines and lifeguard positions. There is hope as two of my colleagues who voted against restoring fire engines are now requesting restoration. I ask that you support me in my endeavor to restore these idled fire engines by contacting the Mayor and my colleagues on the City Council. A few minutes spent writing a note or email could have just the right effect. *Thanks and be well, Marti*

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MARTI EMERALD'S MISSION STATEMENT



*Empower
constituents to
improve their
quality of life,
economy, and
neighborhoods
through the
effective use of
a responsive,
transparent,
and trustworthy
government.*

Thursday With Marti

Every Thursday, Councilmember Marti Emerald is available for a one-on-one meeting with you to discuss your ideas and concerns. Each week she travels to a different community. Meetings times are available from 10:00 am till 2:00 pm.

Schedule:

September 2: College-Rolando Library
September 9: San Carlos Recreation Center
September 16: Tierrasanta Information Center
September 23: Allied Gardens Recreation Center

Please contact your Community Representative to schedule a meeting..

Community Representatives:

Marisa Berumen - Allied Gardens, Del Cerro, and Grantville
(619) 236-7754 email: mberumen@sanidiego.gov

Cynthia Harris - El Cerrito, City Heights, Fox Canyon, Islenair, Colina del Sol, and Chollas Creek
(619) 533-5897 email: crharris@sanidiego.gov

Kim Nguyen - San Carlos, Tierrasanta, MCAS Miramar, and Rancho Encantada
(619) 236-7042 email: klnguyen@sanidiego.gov

Chris Pearson - Redwood Village, Rolando Park, Rolando Village, and Oak Park
(619)236-6681 or (619) 846-1095 email: cpearson@sanidiego.gov

Don Mullen - College Area, College View Estates, and Alvarado Estates
(619) 236-6677 (a new representative will be introduced in October)

Geni Cavitt - Media, Community News and Events, and The Emerald News
(619) 236-7038 gcavitt@sanidiego.gov

Councilmember Marti Emerald's City Website:
<http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd7>

Council District Seven Office:
619-236-6677

Important Phone Numbers and Other Resources:
<http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd7/resources.shtml>

Neighborhood Healthcare in Fox Canyon

On Saturday August 7, I joined the residents of Fox Canyon to celebrate the grand opening of LinhKieu T. Nguyen, M.D. Clinic. The 3,400 square foot, two-story medical facility located at the corner of Euclid Avenue and Dwight Street will provide easy access to medical care for the Fox Canyon community.

At the grand opening, Dr. Nguyen provided the attendees with a tour of the clinic, a colorful dragon dance, and a delicious Vietnamese buffet. Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association board members Jose Lopez, Rosilyn Davis, and Rebecca Lopez attended the event. Dr. Nguyen and her staff (a nurse practitioner and medical assistant) will provide non-emergency care to local families on the first floor of the clinic. The second floor will provide housing and care to individuals who require assisted living.

The clinic's hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, please contact the medical staff at (619) 284-1400.

Serving the local community by promoting health, preventing illness, and providing accessible health care are just some of the benefits this clinic provides. Residents will be able to walk just a few short blocks to their neighborhood clinic versus driving to their doctor's office.

Fall is Clean-up Time

As fall rolls around and we begin to welcome family into our homes and neighborhoods for fun gatherings, we should take some time to throw out some of our old stuff as well as beautify the areas around our homes. There are three events happening this month that can help accomplish all of this! In the neighborhoods of **Allied Gardens** and **Tierrasanta**, the City's Environmental Services Dept. will do a special curbside pick-up of all of your refuse.

Allied Gardens will have their pick-up on Thursday, September 16 and **Tierrasanta** will have their pick-up on Thursday, September 30. Please note that these curbside pick-ups are only for a few select streets. If your street is not included and you and your neighbors would like one of these special curbside pick-up events, please contact my office and my staff will be happy to set that up for you.

Also, at **Lake Murray** join us on Saturday, September 25 at 9:00 a.m. for the **Annual Lake Murray Clean-up**, done in conjunction with I Love a Clean San Diego.

For more details on all of these events, please see page 4.

MARTI EMERALD'S GOALS



**Improve
Public Safety*

**Create Jobs*

**Restore Trust
in City
Government*

Getting the Job Done...Constituent Comments

Debris Removal: *"Thank you for your help in getting the debris removed from behind mine and my neighbor's homes. The workers were all very nice and did a great job. We all feel much safer now as fire season comes into full swing."* Gary Smith, City Heights

Street Resurfacing: *"...our street was in terrible condition. I was overjoyed to see the City resurfacing crew this morning. I never thought this day would come and I'm so delighted to say that the day has arrived. I know all of us will be enjoying the smooth surface, the lack of dusty roads, and the ability for our children to ride their bikes on their home street."* Dana Bork, Tierrasanta

Councilmember
Marti Emerald is
focused on
maintaining and
enhancing the
District's
communities
by preserving
important
neighborhood
public services
such as
libraries, parks,
police, fire, and
public safety.

September Community Events

Aztec Nights - Now thru 9/24 every Thursday through Sunday 9:00 pm-Midnight. Alcohol-free activities for students on SDSU campus.

<http://as.sdsu.edu/aztecnights/index.php>

Used Book Sale - Friday 9/3, Saturday 9/4, and Tuesday 9/7 at the Tierrasanta Library, 4985 La Cuenta Drive. For more information call 858-573-1384.

Rolando Community Council Book Sale - Saturday 9/4 8:00 am till 4:00 pm in the Rite-Aid parking lot. Corner of Art St. and El Cajon Blvd.

College Area BID Signage Workshop - Thursday 9/9 and Thursday 9/23, 8:30 am, 4704 College Ave. 619-582-1093.

Concert in the Park - Sunday 9/12 at 4 pm at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center. Featuring Finding the Constant. Free, fun, family entertainment.

Allied Gardens Clean-up Day - Thursday 9/16 Orcutt Avenue between but not including Estrella Ave. and Waring Road. Please place all items at the curb by 8:00 am. Call: Maxine Brown-Williamson 858-573-1202

Streamview Drive Improvements - Public Workshop Saturday 9/18 10:00 - 11:30 am at 3619 College Ave. Your input is important! Come and share your ideas. Call: 619-889-2842

redwoodvillage@hotmail.com

Citizen Review and Economic Competitiveness Commission - Thursday 9/23 6:00 - 8:00 pm Lewis Middle School Auditorium, 5170 Greenbrier Drive 92120.

Lake Murray Annual Clean-up Day- Saturday 9/25, 9:00 am - Noon. In cooperation with I Love a Clean San Diego. Call: 619-463-9706
www.cleanupday.org or murraymayo@aol.com

Swinging on a Star - Saturday 9/25, 6:30-10:30 pm at the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor's Center. This is a fundraiser for the Lake Murray Playground Project. Great food, live music, and auction items.
<http://www.stayclassy.org/events/detail?eid=2710>

Tierrasanta Clean-up Day - Thursday 9/30, Uvalde Court, Hijos Way, and Montego Drive up to but not including La Cuenta Drive. Also, Jazmin Court and Aduar Court Only. Place all items at the curb by 8:00 am. Call: Maxine Brown-Williamson 858-573-1202

Grand Opening of Village Green - Thursday 9/30, 11:30 am, 4150 Bonillo Drive at University Ave.

Neighborhood Watch Block Captain Training Seminar - Thursday 9/30, 7-8 pm. Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor Center. Block Captains will learn valuable info about personal safety in our neighborhoods. Contact Officer Zwibele at 858-495-7943 or email: zwibele@pd.sandiego.gov